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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Please preliminarily amend the above identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Add ~~claims 6~~ to ~~8~~ as follows:

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6. An extraction tool comprising a tool having means adapted for insertion into a recess of the tapered hip joint socket of claim ~~1~~ and means adapted for turning the tool so as to generate a force for extracting the antifriction liner.

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